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Army Business Center for Acquisition Systems, - Fort Lee, VA

Army Contracting Business Intelligence System (ACBIS) Workshop held at Ft Lee 20-21 May 2004

The Army Contracting Agency (ACA) hosted a workshop for the ACBIS at Ft Lee on 20 and 21 May 2004. Representatives from ACA HQ, ACA Northern Region, ACA Southern Region and MEDCOM were present. Participants were provided an overview of the ACBIS, standard reports and adhoc reporting capability. During a brainstorming session on the last day of the workshop, suggestions were made for the future direction of the ACBIS, both short term and long term to ensure that the ACBIS continues to support management of contracting offices at all organization levels, e.g., contracting offices, regions, subordinate commands, MACOMs, and service.

The PowerPoint presentations used during the workshop can be found on the [Army SPS Website](#) under ACBIS Overview.

A list of the recommendations from the workshop can be located on the [ACBIS website](#) under ACBIS Reports→Library→Workshop.

What training is available for the ACBIS?

The following training classes for ACBIS are being conducted at Ft Lee, VA in Fiscal Year 2004:

- 13-15 Jul
- 27-29 Jul
- 10-12 Aug
- 17-19 Aug
- 8-10 Sep

All classes have been filled. A standby list is being maintained in the event that participant cancellations occur.

The Army Contracting Agency (ACA) is providing travel funds for personnel from Army contracting offices to participate in the training.

Additional training for Fiscal Year 2005 is planned. The schedule will be provided when it has been established.

What information is contained in reports?

There are two ways to discover what information is contained in a standard ACBIS report.







- A brief description can be obtained before a report is opened by clicking on **View Details** from a report list. This description contains the data source and a general description of the report contents.

WMM FY 2004

Corporate Documents > Workload Management Module - WMM > **WMM FY 2004**

12 Document(s) in **WMM FY 2004** [View Details](#) [Add to My InfoView](#)

 Name
 PR Age Report
 Army Award Summary FY2004
 Army Award Actions Missing FPDS

- A detailed description has been added to the first tab of each standard ACBIS report. The detailed description will display when you open a standard report. The description includes data sources as well as a detailed report content description.

How frequently is the data in reports refreshed?

When a WebIntelligence report is opened, the last refresh data is visible in the upper right hand corner of screen. The last refresh date is also in the title of reports. *Note: Refer to ACBIS Newsletter Feb 04, Volume 1 Issue 1 for an explanation of WebIntelligence Reports.*

Reports containing purchase request, solicitation or award data from PD2

are refreshed when they are opened. This is required to ensure that data in reports is limited to the appropriate security restrictions.

Reports that contain Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS) data, i.e., DD350s and DD1057s, are refreshed automatically each night. No security restrictions are required for FPDS data.

How can I obtain a login to the ACBIS?

Contact your MACOM POC to obtain authorization to log into the ACBIS. Each MACOM has a limited number of licenses. It is recommended that an account be established for a top-level manager and/or an individual proficient in developing adhoc reports.

The MACOM POC should submit the following information via the ABCAS Help Desk located at <https://armysps.sdc.lee.army.mil> :

AKO E-mail Address

First Name

Middle Initial

Last Name

Rank/Grade

Commercial Telephone Number

DSN Telephone Number

Service (e.g. Army, DOD etc)

MACOM (if applicable)

SubCommand (If Applicable)

Region (If applicable)

Center (If applicable)

DODAAC

Office Name

Office Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Country

Upon receipt of request for access, Ft Lee will submit the request for approval to ACA.

Please allow 2-5 days after submission for creation of ACBIS access.

E-mail notification will be sent to the user when access has been authorized and completed.



New deployments for the ACBIS to Army contracting offices

Deployment of the ACBIS to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) began the week of 7 Jun 2004.

To date 122 database server sites have been deployed with the ACBIS Extractor service. Data from 158 contracting offices is currently available in the ACBIS.

We anticipate that USACE will complete deployment by the end of July.

The National Guard Bureau (NGB) will begin deployment in July 2004.

When the ACBIS Extractor service is completely deployed, over two hundred sites will be providing data to the ACBIS.

ACBIS Deployments

- *122 database server sites*
 - *158 contracting offices*
 - *NGB scheduled for July implementation*
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Feature Report: Army Actions Missing FPDS

The report named *Army Actions Missing FPDS* is located under the Workload Management Module→FY2004 report category.

This report replaces Cognos reports previously provided by Ft Lee to query the PD² database to determine which actions have not been reported to the Procurement Reporting Management Information System (PRMIS).

The report provides drill down capability that allows a user to locate a specific organization(s), award creators and award Procurement Instrument Identification Numbers (PIIN).

FPDS data is received from the

PRMIS system weekly and is available in the ACBIS by Friday of each week. Data from PD² is loaded daily.

If an action is exempt from FPDS reporting, use the work solution provided in Army SPS CONOPS Bulletin FY03-015 to exclude these actions from the report. The work solution can be found on the [Army SPS Website](#) located under Army SPS CONOPS Bulletins.

The report "Army Actions Missing FPDS" provides drill down capability to the award action creator and PIIN to identify actions missing a DD1057 or DD350 report.

What's New?

BusinessObjects ® software was upgraded from version 6.1A to 6.1B in May 2004. Version 6.1B corrected over 240 software deficiencies.

ACBIS standard reports have a new look. A description tab has been added to the standard ACBIS reports. When you open a report, the description will display on the first tab. The description includes data sources as well as a detailed description of the report content.

Review and Analysis reports are available for ACA to assist with preparation of quarterly Review and Analysis charts.

How do I report issues or request enhancements to the ACBIS?

Assistance is available from the Army Business Center for Acquisition Systems (ABCAS) Ft Lee Monday - Friday from 0730 - 1600 Eastern Standard Time (excluding Federal holidays).

Emergency support is available during non-duty hours if a user is unable to access the ACBIS Homepage or the ACBIS Reports Web page. Contact the SEC-Lee Customer Assistance Office at 804-734-1051 or cao@sdcl.lee.army.mil

NOTE: Please DO NOT contact SEC-Lee Customer Assistance Office for routine requests for assistance.



Submit requests for assistance via the Army SPS Website as follows:

- From the Army SPS Website <https://armysps.sdcl.lee.army.mil>, click on **Submit a request to the ABCAS Help Desk**
- Login using your AKO user id.
- First time users will be required to enter contact information.
- Click on **Submit a new SDR/ER**
- Select an Application as applicable
- Complete all information on the screen as applicable
- Click Save when finished
- A tracking number will be assigned
- You will receive a confirmation e-mail that provides the ABCAS POC for this action
- Status of the issue can be tracked each time you log into the ABCAS Help Desk.

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SPS Website*

<https://armysps.sdcl.lee.army.mil>
ABCAS Help Desk

Tips and Tricks

- **Sorting Reports**

Reports can be sorted by clicking on the column heading. One click will sort the reports in ascending order. Two clicks will sort the reports in descending order. For example, to sort by report name in ascending order, click once on the column heading *Name*. A triangle will appear to indicate the order of the sorted data.

Review and Analysis

[Corporate Documents](#) > **Review and Analysis**

16 Document(s) in **Review and Analysis**

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 Name ▲
 ACA Leadership
 ACA Operating Cost for Award Dollars & Actions
 ACA Operating Cost for Managed Dollars & Actions
 ACA Professionalism - CLP
 ACA Professionalism - Primary
 ACA Professionalism - Secondary
 Customer Service
 Government_Purchase_Card_FY2004
 R&A_ACA_HBCU-MI_FY2004
 R&A_ACA_HUBZone_FY2004
 R&A_ACA_Service_Disabled_Vet_FY2004
 R&A_ACA_Small_Business_FY2004
 R&A_ACA_Small_Disadvantaged_Business_FY2004
 R&A_ACA_Woman-Owned_FY2004
 R&A FPDS Reconciliation FY2004
 R&A JWOD_&_Small_Business

Report index can be sorted by clicking on column header.



About Our Organizations...

The Program Manager for the ACBIS is the Business Systems Management Directorate in the Army Contracting Agency.

ABCIS requirements and schedule are managed by the PM.

The ACBIS development, maintenance and operations are performed by the CECOM Software Engineering Center Lee's Army Business Center for Acquisition Systems (ABCAS).

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